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SUBJECT: VISIT TO NEW HUNGDEL ICCS AMBASSADOR

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1. IN CALL ON NEMETH, AMBASSADOR SHOULD NOTE OUR CONTINUING STRONG COMMITMENT TO PARIS AGREEMENTS AND TO VIABLE AND EFFECTIVE ICCS. WE BELIEVE NEMETH HAS IMPORTANT ROLE THAT FURNISHES OPPORTUNITY FOR GENUINE PEACE-KEEPING ACHIEVEMENT.

2. WITH ABOVE AS PRIMARY POINT TO BE MADE, YOU MAY DRAW ON EMBASSY SAIGON REPORTS OF POLISH AND HUNGARIAN OBSTRUCTIONISM IN ICCS AND EXPRESS OUR CONTINUING DISTRESS THAT ICCS HAS NOT MADE ANY FORMAL INVESTIGATIONS FOR MORE THAN A YEAR.

3. WITH RESPECT TO SAFETY OF PERSONNEL ISSUE, YOU MIGHT NOTE THAT SERIOUS HUNGARIAN PARTICIPATION IN ICCS IN GENERAL AND IN FULL INVESTIGATIONS IN PARTICULAR COULD MAKE SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO REDUCING LEVEL OF VIOLENCE, THEREBY ENHANCING SECURITY OF ALL RPT ALL LIFE AND PROPERTY IN VIET-NAM.

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4. AS EMBASSY AWARE FROM SAIGON'S REPORTING ON ICCS AFFAIRS, THE COMMISSION MEMBERS HAVE BEEN INVOLVED FOR SEVERAL MONTHS IN WRANGLES OVER ORGANIZATION OF THE PAST FEW WEEKS HAVE SEEN NEAR COLLAPSE OF ICCS DUE TO LACK

OF AGREEMENT ON THESE ISSUES. SUGGEST YOU NOTE OUR DEEP

CONCERN THAT THE PROCESS OF REACHING AGREEMENT HAS BEEN SO TORTUOUS AND URGE HUNGARIANS TO SHOW MORE FLEXIBILITY.

5. DEPARTMENT ALSO AGREES FULLY WITH PROPOSAL THAT AMBASSADOR STRONGLY SUGGEST IN FORCEFUL TERMS THAT NEMETH CALL ON GVN FONMIN AFTER ARRIVAL, AS POLISH DELEGATION CHIEF HAS DONE.

6. EMBASSY MAY STATE WE WELCOME THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCUSSION, AND THAT WE LOOK FORWARD TO FURTHER TALKS WITH NEMETH IN SAIGON FOLLOWING HIS CALL ON GVN FONMIN.

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